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SUBJECT: MOFAT WILL RELAY AZERBAIJAN HR CONCERNS

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[11](#). (SBU) On July 31, poloff delivered reftel points about recent human rights issues in Azerbaijan to Kim Pil-woo, First Secretary in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade Human Rights and Social Affairs Division. Poloff requested that MOFAT encourage its mission in Baku to actively coordinate with the U.S. and other embassies on joint approaches to the GOAJ.

[12](#). (SBU) Kim expressed appreciation for the reftel message and agreed to pass our concerns and request for embassy-level coordination on these issues to the relevant regional bureaus covering Azerbaijan. Kim stated that he would also alert MOFAT's UN and Human Rights Council missions, and asked whether the USG had plans to raise these issues at either the UN or HRC.
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